Mr. C. A. Ouseph.—May I know what was the method adopted by the officers concerned, not by the Departmental Head?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—The Departmental Head is also responsible for part of the work that is done. The Hon'ble Member himself must be aware that even with regard to inquiries in a locality which has nothing to do with the survey, we normally receive all sorts of representations from the public. When an inspecting officer goes to inspect one school he does not content himself with inspecting the school but receives petitions from the public.

Mr. C. A. Ouseph.—May I know whether these representations that are received are casual ones or whether they were got in the regular course?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—I do not accept the epithet 'casual.' These are regular petitions forwarded to the inspecting officers.

Mr. Joseph Pettah.—May I know whether the date of the survey officers' visit was made known to the people of the locality?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—I have no information. I want notice.

414. Mr. Joseph Pettah.—Adverting to the instructions given by the Director of Public Instruction to the Inspecting Officers in connection with the Educational Survey, will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) how many representations were received from the public, embodying its views and its grievances;

(b) the names of persons or parties who made such representations, and the purport of each representation;

(c) what action, if any, has been taken on each of the representations so made;

(d) if no such representations were made, has any of the Inspecting Officers or the Director inquired into the causes of such silence on the part of the public?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—Please see the answer to question No. 413.

Economic and Industrial Survey of the State.

415. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to state with reference to question No. 209 answered on the 13th February 1933 (a) what further step has been taken by the Government in the matter; and

(b) whether the Government have decided to constitute such a department; and if so, from what date?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—(a) An Economic and Industrial Survey is being organised.

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(b) Government have not come to any decision on the point. The results of the Survey are awaited.

'Officiate' and 'Acting'—import.

416. **Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.**—Will the Government be pleased to state with reference to Cochin Government Gazette, Extraordinary, dated 24th Kumbham 1108 whether the expression 'Officiate' in Notification No. 200 and the word, 'acting' in Notification No. 201 are used synonymously?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Yes.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Is it with reference to these particular notifications or as a general rule that these words are used synonymously?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—They have become synonymous now.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—May I know how they have become synonymous? Is it according to the dictionary meaning?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—No, according to article 70, C. S. R.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—May I know what it is?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—That article uses the word 'officiating' and does not use the word 'acting', which was in vogue then.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Is it brought about by any correction?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Yes.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—May I know what that correction is?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—It says that if an officer officiates in another post he is entitled to allowance, etc., I have not got the copy of the C. S. R. here.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.— When was that brought about?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Eight or 9 months ago.

Combination of appointments—provision for.

417. **Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.**—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether an officer who is 'acting' in any particular place or office can hold any other office at the same time;

(b) if so, under which Standing Order or any other Government rules?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) Yes.

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